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SUBJECT: UNSC REFORM: DEMARCHE AGAINST G-4 RESOLUTION

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Classified By: AMBASSADOR RALPH L. BOYCE. REASON 1.4 (B) (D)

¶1. (C) In the absence of Foreign Minister Kantathi, who was attending the ASEAN Foreign Ministers Meeting in Vientiane, Ambassador spoke with MFA Permanent Secretary Krit Garnjana-Goonchorn to solicit an RTG vote against or abstention on the G-4 resolution. Krit took the Ambassador's comments onboard and noted that he was unaware that the African Union (AU) and the G-4 were coming to an agreement on the resolution. He added that the ASEAN ministers were about to issue a stand-alone statement that, in effect, asks the G-4 to "back off" from pushing its resolution in order to avoid creating a divisive situation within the UN body. The decision to issue this statement had been made at an ASEAN "ministers-only" luncheon, Krit said.

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